



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL
INSPECTIONS
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
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LOS ANGELES, CA 90012
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Wednesday, March 25, 2015

10:00 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (15-1426)

Attachments: [AUDIO](#)

Present: Chairperson Eleanor R. Montañó, Vice Chairperson Frank S. Bacio, Commissioner Barbara Bigby, Commissioner Cheryl Grills Ph.D., Commissioner Donald S. Andrews and Commissioner Scott T. Johnson

Excused: Commissioner Anne S. Hill and Commissioner Susan Burton

Staff present: Bolaji Famuyiwa and Jenny Kimbell. (15-1427)

Call to Order. (15-1335)

Chairperson Montañó called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Chairperson Montañó led in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

Chairperson Montañó welcomed and introduced Scott T. Johnson, newly appointed Commissioner by the Third Supervisorial District.

Commissioner Johnson provided a brief introduction and overview of his career. He stated that he is currently an Alternate Public Defender, Los Angeles County Public Defender's office and also teaches at Southwestern Law School.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

- 1. Approval of the March 18, 2015 Minutes. (15-1336)**

On motion of Vice Chairperson Frank S. Bacio, seconded by Commissioner Barbara Bigby, unanimously carried, this item was approved with the

following additions/corrections:

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Chairperson Montaña reported on an article that appeared in the Mercury News February 24, 2015 newspaper entitled "Officials are Slow to rein in Kids Meds", submitted by former Sybil Brand Commissioner Maxine Russell.

Commissioner Grills reported that on January 16, 2015 Senator Mark Leno introduced Senate Bill 124 (SB 124). SB 124 would amend certain sections of the Welfare and Institutions Code relating to solitary confinement of juveniles. She also reported that SB 124 may have a significant impact on the SBC's responsibilities if it were to pass. She urged Commissioners to keep a watchful eye on SB 124.

Commissioner Bigby reported that she was escorted by Mr. Daniel Moreno during her inspections of Camps Jarvis, Onizutha, McNair and Smith. She was extremely impressed by his attentiveness, demeanor and professionalism and wanted to share that with the Commission.

II. REPORTS

2. Chairperson's Report on various items for March 25, 2015. (15-1337)

Chairperson Montaña and Commissioner Grills shared the following Newspaper Articles and information with the Commission:

Daily Breeze:

- Vaccine Data for Children lacking (March 23, 2015)

Los Angeles Times:

- Would Lockups Protect Foster Youth? (March 22, 2015)

CCHR International:

- Finally - A Bill to help Foster Care Children, Not Big Pharma (March 20, 2015)

Chairperson Montaña reported that she attended the Los Angeles Police

Department's César E. Chávez 6th Annual Celebration on March 14, 2015. She also shared a flier regarding the Gang Alternative Programs (GAP) "Soar with GAP" 13th Annual Mitch Maricich Awards Event and Fundraiser held on March 21, 2015 at the Carson Center, International Room, Carson, CA.

Attachments: [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

3. Treasurer's Report for March 25, 2015. (15-1338)

Vice Chairperson Bacio reported that the bank statement balance of the Commission's Charitable Fund is \$439.90.

4. Staff Report on Correspondence Received and Department Representative Reports for March 25, 2015. (15-1339)

Staff reported that the 2015-16 SBC's scholarship presentation is scheduled to be held on June 30, 2015. Staff will continue to work on the application packet and timeline.

5. Review of Group Home Compliance Monitoring Audit Reports presented on March 25, 2015. (15-1342)

There was no report presented.

6. Commissioners' Reports on Group Home and/or Detention Facilities Inspections from March 19, 2015 to March 24, 2015. (15-1345)

During the reporting period, the following group homes/facilities were reported as being in satisfactory condition:

Chairperson Montaña and Commissioner Andrews visited:

- Dream Home Care #1 (Gardenia Avenue, Long Beach, CA) on March 24, 2015.
- Vista Del Mar "Main Group Home" (Motor Avenue, Los Angeles, CA) on March 23, 2015.

Vice Chairperson Bacio visited:

- St. Anne's Maternity Home "St. Anne's Residential Program" (North Occidental Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA) on March 24, 2015.

Commissioner Bigby visited:

- Human Services Network (Index Street, Granada Hills, CA) on March 24, 2015.

Commissioners Grills visited:

- **Dream Catcher (West 49th Street, Los Angeles, CA) on March 24, 2015.**

III. MISCELLANEOUS

Matters Not Posted

7. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (15-1346)

There were no matters presented for a future agenda.

Public Comment

8. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (15-1347)

There were no members of the public present to address the Commission.

Adjournment

9. Adjournment for the meeting of March 25, 2015. (15-1348)

There being no further business, Chairperson Montaña adjourned the meeting of March 4, 2015 at 11:03 a.m.